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Valmiki Jayanti celebrated

MLA G.T. Devegowda, who launched Valmiki Jayanti procession in front of Palace North Gate this morning, seen with City Police Commissioner B. Ramesh, Deputy Commissioner Dr. K.V. Rajendra, ZP CEO K.M. Gayathri, MLAs K. Harishgowda and T.S. Srivatsa,, MLC Marithibbegowda, Mayor Shivakumar, Deputy Mayor Dr. G. Roopa and others.

Mysuru, Oct. 28 (BLU&DM)- A grand procession marked Valmiki Jayanti celebrations organised by the District Administration in the city this morning.

MLA G.T. Devegowda launched the procession in front of Kote Anjaneyaswamy temple at Palace North Gate. The procession, attended by thousands of people, passed through Chamaraja Wadiyar Circle, Albert Victor Road, K.R. Circle, Devaraj Urs Road, JLB Road and Vinoba Road to culminate at Kalamandira for the stage programme.

The procession was accompanied by a host of folk and cultural troupes including a silver chariot carrying the portrait of Maharshi Valmiki and a tableau carrying an idol of Valmiki, which drew the attention of the crowds enroute. The procession also featured some children and youths dressed like Lord Rama, Lakshmana and Valmiki.

High drama: Even before the launch of the procession, high drama prevailed at the venue when Valmiki Samaja members led by Corporator Lokesh Piya sat on a dharna saying that they would not allow the procession to proceed until the authorities permit unveiling of Valmiki statue at the park in front of Mini Vidhana Soudha in Nazarbad. They claimed that the authorities had evacuated the covered Valmiki statue from the spot overnight, which was to be unveiled later today.

(See VALMIKI on page 7)

10th Rozgar Mela held Nationwide

185 Central Govt. appointment letters issued in Mysuru

PM Modi virtually inaugurates programme to hand over 51,000 appointment letters across country

Union Minister of State for Social Justice and Empowerment A. Narayanaswamy seen handing over appointment letter to a candidate in city this morning as SWR Mysuru Division DRM Shilpi Agarwal and AIISH Director Dr. M. Pushpavathi look on.

Mysuru, Oct. 28 (RK&BCT)- In a concerted effort to bolster employment opportunities and drive socio-economic progress, Prime Minister Narendra Modi distributed over 51,000 appointment letters to newly recruited individuals this noon via a nationwide video conferencing event. This initiative marks the 10th edition of the Rozgar Mela, a significant step in advancing the nation's workforce.

The Rozgar Mela spanned 37 locations across the country and was organised in Mysuru by the South Western Railway (SWR), Mysuru Division, with the event being hosted at the Knowledge Park of All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH).

The event in Mysuru was attended by A. Narayanaswamy, Union Minister of State for Social Justice and Empowerment, who was the chief guest presiding over the distribution of appointment letters to selected candidates.

(See ROZGAR MELA on page 7)

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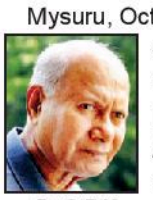
Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Saturday 28th October 2023

10 poets selected for first

Dr. CPK Kavya Award to be conferred on Oct. 29

Mysuru, Oct. 28 (DM) - A total of 10 poets have been selected for Dr. CPK Kavya Award given by Spandana Samskrutika Parishat in honour of veteran litterateur Dr. C.P. Krishnakumar (CPK), according to Parishat President T. Satish Javaregowda.



Dr.C.P.K

Those who will be conferred the annual award given for the first time are: Kavita Hegde Abhayam of Dharwad; Vijayalakshmi Nuggehalli of Bengaluru; Hemalatha Vastrad of Vijayapura; Sangeetha Raviraj of Kodagu; Dr. N.K. Dileep of Chamarajanagar; S.G. Pasha of Shivamogga; Kotresh S. Uppar of Hassan; Chandrashekar Madalageri of Gadag; Nagaraj Talakadu of Mysuru and Dinesh Haraganahalli of Mandya.

The award will be conferred on the poets at the State-level Dasara Kavi-Kavya Sambhrama event to take place at Negilayogi Maruleshwara Seva Bhavan, K.G.Koppal in city at 10 am on Oct. 29. Noted Poetess Shashikala Vastrad will confer the award in the presence of CPK.

Noted Sugama Sangeetha artiste Dr. H.R. Leelavathi will inaugurate the programme. Prof. Neelagiri M. Talwar will preside. Parishat President Satish Javaregowda will deliver the key-note address. Senior Journalist Amshi Prasanna Kumar will release the book 'Sanje Vihara.'

Negilayogi Samajaseva Trust President D. Ravikumar, IPS Officer Dr. A.N. Prakashgowda, NeuroZone (Gopala Gowda Shanthaveri Memorial Hospital) Managing Director Dr. Shushruth Gowda, Dakshina Kannada ZP Deputy Secretary A.E. Raghu, author Mohammad Azharuddin and others will be chief guests.

The programme will begin with the conduct of Kavigoshti at 11.30 am in which about 70 poets will take part. The award conferment and valedictory will take place at 4.30 pm. Additional DC P. Shivaraju will deliver the valedictory address. Veteran writer Dr. CPK will felicitate University of Mysore Syndicate member Dr. T.R. Chandrashekar and Kannada activist M. Mohankumar Gowda on the occasion.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

As India establishes itself as a hub for startups and entrepreneurship, it is essential to focus on self-employment opportunities for individuals with disabilities. This needs substantial investment. Customised training schemes and initiatives aimed at enhancing skills can provide disabled individuals with the tools necessary for success in the job market. The significant pool of employable disabled individuals should be tapped into through specific efforts, vocational training and programmes designed for skill enhancement.

Empowering individuals with disabilities to choose between remote and in-office work recognises their diverse capabilities and needs. Rather than assuming remote work is the sole solution, it's important to provide choices and decision-making power. To achieve this, organisations should adopt accessible communication tools and provide comprehensive training to all employees. This approach promotes inclusivity and respects individual preferences, allowing disabled individuals to thrive in a workspace that aligns with their unique needs and talents.

The present status of people with disabilities in India's employment ecosystem is a mixed bag of challenges and opportunities. But there are promising initiatives and the potential of disabled individuals to contribute meaningfully to society and the economy.

— Arman Ali in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

Bus terminal moved with hydraulic jacks

Jimei: Chinese engineers once set a Guinness World Record after Rotating a 30,000-tonne bus terminal in Xiamen 288 meters by using hundreds of hydraulic jacks and rolling tracks.

The Houxi Long Distance Bus Station is situated in the Jimei District of Xiamen, China's Fujian Province. Four years ago, local authorities decided to move one of its terminals from one street to another in order to make room for a new high-speed railway project. After weighing their options, engineers decided that the best solution was to rotate the gigantic building at a 90-degree angle, using one of its narrow sides as the centre point.

The hydraulic jacks worked non-stop, moving the 30,000-tonne bus terminal by about 20 meters per day. It took 40 days to move the structure into its new position, a new Guinness Record.

Gummy candy that tastes like a fruit

Tokyo: A Japanese candy company has been making news for its idea to produce gummy candy that tastes like an 'imaginary fruit' called Kiraspika.

Last year was a great one for gummy candy producers, and the market continued to expand throughout 2023, with fruit-flavored gummies being the most popular. While there are plenty of fruit flavours to choose from, including intriguing fruit combinations, companies are still limited to the fruits available in our world. But what if someone broke down barriers and started making candy that tastes like imaginary fruits? That was the genius idea that Japanese sweets maker Kanro recently came up with. Last month, the company launched a new type of gummy candy that tastes like 'Kiraspika no Mi', a made-up fruit with an original flavour, design and even an origin story.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Thyroid problems cause decreased fertility, increased risk of abortions, affects baby's growth and development. Get your thyroid hormone levels checked before planning pregnancy.

By Dr. Amulya K.G, Consultant - Obstetrics and Gynecology - Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Free speech and hearing camp,

hearing aid distribution on Nov. 8 and 9

Mysuru, Oct. 28- JSS Institute of Speech and Hearing, M.G. Road, Mysuru, in collaboration with Ali Yavar Jung National Institute of Speech and Hearing Disabilities (Divyangan), Mumbai, has organised a free speech and hearing evaluation and hearing aid distribution camp on Nov.8 and 9 at its premises in city.

Those who have hearing problem may get their hearing tested and avail hearing aid free of cost if eligible under the ADIP scheme of Government of India by registering their names at JSS Institute of Speech and Hearing over Phone: 0821-2548229 or in person before Nov.6.

Documents required for availing free hearing aid are as follows: Aadhaar card; Hearing disability certificate with hearing disability 40% or above (issued by Civil Surgeon/ competent authority of respective State Government); Income certificate issued by competent authority and two recent passport size colour photographs.

NOTE: Individuals whose monthly income is up to Rs. 22,500 will get the hearing aid free of cost while those with monthly income from Rs. 22,501 to Rs. 30,000 will get the hearing aids at a concessional rate of 50% of the cost of the aid.

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Yesterday's level **99.48 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,273.24 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,851.54 feet**
Today's Inflow **710 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **258 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **160 cusecs**
Today's Outflow **567 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **300 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **1,850 cusecs**

REALLY...?

- ***A panda's diet is 99% vegetarian, which mostly includes bamboo roots, stems, shoots and leaves. However, their digestive system is typical of a carnivore, so the remaining 1% of their diet can include eggs, small animals and carrion. Pandas are also known to forage in farmland for pumpkin, kidney beans, wheat and domestic pig food.***
- ***Giant pandas spend 10-16 hours a day feeding on bamboo.***

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VOICE OF THE READER

Stop desecrating Chamundi foothill

Sir,

Being a regular visitor to Chamundi Hill, I have seen the beauty of the Hill on all seasons and it has been a perfect place for those who prefer serene atmosphere for their early morning walks, fitness enthusiasts (step-climbing) or for those with love for divinity.

During festivities, men and women, dress up well, visit temples, offer prayers and enjoy with their family and friends. But the same people tarnish the beauty of this Hill with plastics and papers littered all over.

The picture above shows the pathetic scene of the foothill post the annual Chamundeshwari Rathotsava held on Oct. 26, despite plastic ban rule in force since Sept. 1 atop the Hill!

The regulation was followed by the order of National Green Tribunal State Committee Chairman Justice Subhash B. Adi during his meeting in city on July 14, 2023, to make Chamundi Hill totally plastic-free by Dasara. However, post-Dasara things seem to be totally opposite.

It would also be apt to make a rule similar to that of Mysuru Zoo where people carrying plastic bottles are stopped at the entrance and Rs. 10 is collected from them for taking plastic bottles inside the Zoo and if the plastic bottle is produced at the exit, Rs. 10 is refunded.

The very word 'Development' scares me for the harm it could cause to Chamundi Hill. Instead, why not preserve the natural beauty of the Hill without desecrating in the name of development. It is the responsibility of every visitor to keep the Hill clean and green.

—**Surya**

J.P. Nagar 28.10.2023

Nidhi Aapke Nikat 2.0 District Outreach Programme held

Mysuru, Oct. 28- The District Outreach Programme of Employees' Provident Fund Organisation, Regional Office, Mysuru, under Nidhi Aapke Nikat 2.0 was conducted at the Taluk Panchayat Office, Vidyodaya College Road, T. Narasipur, Mysuru, on Oct.27. Sureshachar, Tahsildar and Krishna, Executive Officer, were the chief guests.

M. Ashok Kumar, Accounts Officer/District Nodal Officer, R. Manjunatha, Sr. SSA and A. Thejas Krishnan, SSA, from Regional Office, EPFO, Mysuru, were present for redressal of grievance of stakeholders and proper management of the event.

EPFO stakeholders visited the venue with their queries and grievances, which were solved on the spot. All the stakeholders were satisfied. Regional PF Commissioner-I, Regional Office, Mysuru, has taken all possible steps to extend benefits to stakeholders by conducting the Nidhi Aapke Nikat programme in various districts.

After 10 years of wait...

NCC commences flying training for cadets in Mysuru

Mysuru, Oct. 28- NCC Air Wing cadets of Mysuru will now have an opportunity to get airborne as No.4 Karnataka Air Squadron NCC has commenced flying training after 10 long years of wait.

An "All Religion Prayer (Sarva Dharma Puja)" was organised at Mysore Airport near NCC Hangar on Oct.19.

The prayer ceremony was performed by religious leaders from various faiths, who came together to offer prayers for the success of the NCC flying.

Air Commodore L.K. Jain, Air Officer Commanding, No. 2 Air Force Selection Board, Mysuru, J.R. Anoop, Airport Director, Mysore Airport, Colonel Rohit Thakur, Group Commander, NCC Gp HQ, Mysuru, Lt. Col. Hitesh Kala, Training Officer, Wg. Cdr. G.S. Asish, Commanding Officer, 4 Kar Air Sqn NCC, CGI Aftab Alam, ANOs, PI staff and cadets were present during the event.

NCC flying training at Mysuru was stopped in the year 2014 due to various infrastructure issues such as unavailability of aircraft parking hangar, taxi link and basic amenities for the cadets. Even though these full-fledged facilities are yet to come up through State Government and Airports Authority of India, a few alternate arrangements have been put in place keeping safety in mind.

The flying has commenced with two Microlight Virus aircraft of the NCC Air Squadron.

4 Kar Air Sqn NCC functions under the administrative control of NCC Group Headquarters Mysuru and is responsible to impart theoretical and practical flying training to its cadets. The Unit has around 1,500 cadets on its strength which includes Junior and Senior Wings.

While Junior cadets are given exposure to basic flying, Senior cadets are trained on two sorties each to obtain NCC 'B' certificate and four sorties each to obtain NCC 'C' certificate. Prior to the flying exposure, they are trained in the theory of flying and on Microlight Virus aircraft flight simulator.

For details, contact Aftab Alam, CGI, Administrative Officer, 4 Kar Air Sqn NCC, Mysuru on Mob: 93794-27849 or 94801-82249.

Two-day Intl. Meet on "Genetics and Epigenetics of Cancer" at JSS

Mysuru, Oct. 28- The Division of Biochemistry, School of Life Sciences, JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research (JSS AHER), Mysuru, is hosting the DST SERB sponsored International Conference on "Genetics and Epigenetics of Cancer" (ICGEC-2023) on Oct 30 and 31.

The event will be inaugurated on Oct. 30 at 10 am at Sri Rajendra Auditorium of JSS Medical College in Sri Shivarathreeshwara Nagar here.

Dr. Murugesan Manoharan, Distinguished Chief of Urologic Oncology and Director of Robotic Urologic Surgery at Miami Cancer Institute, Baptist Health South Florida, Miami, USA, will be the chief guest on the occasion.

Dr. Suresh Bhojraj, Pro-Chancellor of JSS AHER, will deliver the opening remarks. Dr. Surinder Singh, Vice-Chancellor, will unveil the compendium of conference abstracts for ICGEC-2023. Dr. C.G. Betsurmath, Executive Secretary of JSS Mahavidyapeetha, will preside.

The Organising Committee, led by Dr. K. A. Raveesha, Convenor of ICGEC-2023 and Dean of the Faculty of Life Sciences; Dr. MVSST Subba Rao, Co-convenor of ICGEC-2023 and Professor at JSS Medical College; and Dr. D. Guru Kumar, Organising Secretary of ICGEC-2023, will be present.

This conference will revolve around pivotal cancer research themes, including Cancer Biology, Molecular Epidemiology of Cancer, Cancer Epigenetic Mechanisms and Cancer Stem Cells and Therapeutics.

Renowned speakers from prestigious institutions such as the University of North Texas Health Science Centre, USA, and prominent national organisations, including the Indian Institute of Science, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Banaras Hindu University, Jawaharlal Nehru University, Central Food Technological Research Institute and the Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education will participate.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Applications invited

Karnataka Aryavysya Community Development Corporation (KACDC) has invited applications from Aryavysya community members for availing educational loan. The last date for applying is Nov. 30. For details and applying, log on to the website ***https://kacdc.karnataka.gov.in/*** OR contact Ph: 0821-2341194 or Mob: 94484-51111.

Art works invited

Karnataka Exhibition Authority (KEA) has invited artworks from artists, craftsmen, women and children for exhibiting their fine arts, crafts and artworks in Dasara Exhibition premises. Interested artists can submit their artworks made after January 2023 at the KEA Office in exhibition premises, latest by Oct. 31. [Ph: 0821-2440828]

M.Tech admission

The Government Tool Room and Training Centre (GTTC) has invited applications from BE Mechanical/ Industrial Production/ Automobile/ Automation/ Robotics Engineering Graduates, who have not appeared for PG-CET, for admission to AICTE and VTU-approved 2-year M.Tech in Tool Engineering. For details, visit the GTTC at Belagola Industrial Area, off KRS Road, Mysuru, or contact Mob: 80959-78954 or 91416-30306 or 94499-29667.

Ph.D awardees

S.K. Nithin has been awarded Ph.D in Mechanical Engineering by the Reva University, Bengaluru, for his thesis 'IoT Based Fault Diagnosis of Four Stroke Petrol Engine Gearbox Using Machine Learning Approach' submitted under the guidance of Dr. K. Hemanath.

S. Sujish has been awarded Ph.D in Kannada by the University of Madras, Chennai, for his thesis 'Itteechina Mahila Kaavyagala Vishleshanaatmaka Adhyayana (2000 rinda 2018 ra varege)' submitted under the guidance of Dr. M. Rangaswamy.

Teena Johnson has been awarded Ph.D in Electrical and Electronics Engineering by the National Institute of Technology Karnataka, Surathkal, Mangaluru, for her thesis 'Enhanced Power System Monitoring and Analysis Using Synchrophasor Technology' [Guide: Dr. Tukaram Moger].

Celebrities and tiger claw controversy

Varthur Santosh granted bail; might re-enter Bigg Boss house

Bengaluru, Oct. 28 (BCT)- Kannada Bigg Boss Season 10 contestant Varthur Santosh was recently charged by Forest Department officials on the set of Bigg Boss for possessing a tiger claw pendant. However, the accused has now been granted bail by a Bengaluru Court.

Reports indicate that the bail was approved despite objections from Forest Officials who were concerned that evidence might be tampered with or destroyed if the accused was released. Santhosh had applied for bail last Monday, and the Court allowed the prosecution to present their objections by Wednesday. After a hearing that took place yesterday, the Court considered both sides and issued its verdict.

Varthur Santosh

Santosh's lawyer, Advocate K. Natrajan, suggested that there may be a conspiracy behind the actions of the Forest Department, stating, "We expected to obtain bail, and we did. The Forest Department arrested him without proper questioning, and it appears to be a case of conspiracy."

Following Varthur Santhosh's release on bail, many are wondering whether he will make a comeback to the Bigg Boss house. Fans have been eagerly speculating about his potential return. However, the channel broadcasting the show has addressed these ongoing queries.

A spokesperson for the Bigg Boss Kannada 10 of the channel stated, "We are yet to receive the Court order copy. As this is conditional bail granted to our contestant, we need to thoroughly review the order. We will keep everyone updated on Varthur Santhosh when there is an update."

Varthur Santhosh was released from jail late last evening and fans gathered to welcome him with immense love and support. However, the contestant chose not to address the media and promptly headed home with his Advocate and family members after meeting the fans near the jail.

Officials collect info, scan social media for file photos in Mysuru

Recovered wildlife artefacts to be sent to Wildlife Institute of India in Dehradun for forensic analysis

Mysuru, Oct. 28 (MTY&BCT)- The Forest Department officials are actively gathering intelligence reports on individuals wearing tiger claw pendants in Mysuru and conducting raids on homes and individuals based on the information they receive.

Social media, in particular, is being closely monitored for photos, videos and profile albums where individuals have displayed such ornaments in the past.

Many verbal complaints and information have been provided by wildlife conservationists and activists about individuals who possess illegal items, including tiger claws, elephant teeth and elephant tail hair.

One significant challenge in the investigation is the lack of concrete proof, as taking action against people without incriminating evidence is difficult. Meanwhile, Forest Officials have announced that they will be sending wildlife artefacts recovered from the residences of prominent personalities during the recent raids to the Wildlife Institute of India in Dehradun for forensic analysis to verify their authenticity.

The Forensic Science Laboratory in Bengaluru lacks the expertise required for wildlife forensic analysis, so all the exhibits collected, whether fake or genuine, will be sent to the Wildlife Institute of India in Dehradun for forensic examination.

Based on the findings of the forensic analysis and further investigation, action will be initiated against individuals found in possession of wildlife articles under the Wildlife Protection Act of 1972. Kumar Pushkar, Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife), mentioned that the Deputy Conservator of Forests will take action and send the collected exhibits from various locations to the Wildlife Institute of India.

"All the exhibits collected from the places against whom complaints were received will be sent to the Wildlife Forensic and Conservation Genetics Cell of the Wildlife Institute of India. The fake as well as genuine exhibits, whatever we have received — all of them will be sent and tested for their genuineness. The process takes time," he explained.

Deputy Range Forest Officer arrested for wearing tiger claw pendant

Bengaluru, Oct. 28 (Agencies)- The Forest Department on Friday suspended the Deputy Range Forest Officer (DRFO) of Kalasa in Chikkamagaluru district and arrested him for allegedly possessing a tiger claw pendant, officials said. The action was taken following an official complaint lodged by activists Supreeth and Abdul Khader against Darshan Kumar, the DRFO, after a purported photo of him wearing a tiger claw pendant surfaced on social media platforms. Later, he deleted those photos.

"A case has been registered against him (DRFO) and it is being investigated. He has been suspended and taken into custody and interrogation is going on. Whatever comes out in the probe will be submitted to the Court," a senior forest official said.

AC unit at MUDA catches fire

Mysuru, Oct. 28 (RK&BS)-Tension prevailed for sometime as an Air Conditioner (AC) unit at Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) office here, caught fire yesterday morning. The MUDA Engineers were holding a meeting at the Conference Hall in the premises, when fire was noticed from the AC unit. The Fire personnel, who reached the spot, succeeded in dousing the fire.

MUDA Commissioner G.T. Dinesh Kumar said: "Following the spot mahazar, it came to notice that fire triggered following a blast of gas box filled by compressor. However, no documents have been damaged. Action will be taken to replace old AC units and electric equipment with the new equipment."

Fire mishap at cloth shop

Mysuru, Oct. 28 (SPN&BS)-A large quantity of garments was gutted in a fire mishap at a readymade cloth shop on D. Devaraj Urs Road in the city yesterday.

According to Devaraja Police Station personnel, "The fire is suspected to have been caused due to short circuit at the shop. However, no casualty was reported in the incident. Upon receiving the information, Fire personnel from Saraswathipuram Fire Station rushed to the spot and doused the fire."

Obituary

Adilakshmi Dhanurajulu Naidu

Mysuru, Oct. 28- Adilakshmi Dhanurajulu Naidu (69), a resident of Bademakhan in N.R. Mohalla, passed away here early this morning.

She leaves behind two sons, daughters-in-law, grandson and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at the foot of Chamundi Hill this afternoon.

L. Syed Mahmood

L. Syed Mahmood (74), a resident of CFTRI Layout in the city, passed away here yesterday following brief illness.

He leaves behind his wife, son Dr. Syed Salim, a daughter, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were performed yesterday after Friday prayers, according to family sources.

Foundation for Kidwai Cancer Hospital at PKTB premises in city soon

Medical Education Minister inaugurates month-long Medical Expo at MMC and RI

Medical Education Minister Dr. Sharanprakash R. Patil (centre) viewing an exhibit at the Medical Exhibition organised at Library Hall of MMC and RI in the city yesterday, as Dean and Director of MMC and RI Dr. K.R. Dakshayani, MLA K. Harishgowda, MLC Dr. D. Thimmaiah, former MLA M.K. Somashekar and others look on. Picture right shows the nurses looking at a model of a ward at the exhibition, which will be open for public from 10 am to 5 pm. Entry is free for all visitors.

Mysuru, Oct. 28 (SBD&BS)- Medical Education Minister Dr. Sharanprakash R. Patil said that the foundation will be laid for the construction of Kidwai Memorial Institute of Oncology (Cancer Hospital) unit building at PKTB Sanatorium premises on KRS road in the city within a month.

Addressing media persons after inaugurating the month-long Medical Exhibition organised at the new library building of Mysore Medical College and Research Institute (MMC&RI) here yesterday, he said "The foundation will be laid for the cancer hospital on a five-acre land at PKTB premises within a month. Besides, there is a proposal to set up a common out-patient department (OPD) at MMC & RI. With the Institute celebrating its centenary year, Government has new plans, which cannot be disclosed at this juncture, as it will be made known by the Chief Minister himself. However, it will be discussed with the CM before announcing in the State budget."

The Government has submitted a proposal to increase the number of intake of MMC& RI to 200 seats against the existing 150 seats. However, the National Medical Commission (NMC) had observed some lacunae while going through the proposal. Hence, directions have been issued to fill the sanctioned posts, as 44 Assistant Professor posts are vacant and will be filled by three months.

The 10 posts of Associate Professors should be filled by promotion. Several posts of Senior Assistants are also vacant. However, it would take some time to fill the sanctioned posts through Karnataka Examinations Authority (KEA) abiding by the norms, he said.

"But, it is my promise to fill 100 percent of posts. Note it down, as you may ask again when I come here next time," he said.

'One Medical College in each district: NMC norms turn into hurdle'

Mysuru, Oct. 28 (SBD&BS)- Medical Education Minister Dr. Sharanprakash R. Patil has said "The new guidelines of National Medical Commission (NMC) has turned into a hurdle to realise the plans of establishing one Medical College in each district."

"Our Government's policy is to establish one Medical College in each district and 23 such colleges have been already established. However, it may take sometime to replicate the plan in remaining districts. Till recently there were no such regulations, as in the recent NMC circular it has been stipulated to establish Medical College with 100 medical seats for every 10 lakh population. However, the capping of seats is unacceptable and we won't give any consent," said Dr. Patil who hinted at replying on these lines to NMC circular.

Alleging that the Centre is practicing a step-motherly attitude by imposing restrictions, the Minister said "Our State population is about 7 crore with 12,000 medical seats, exceeding NMC guidelines. Hence, such restrictions are unscientific and against public interest. We are keen on establishing more Government Medical Colleges, apart from the provision to establish more Private Medical Colleges."

Inspects Hospitals

The Minister, who visited K.R. Hospital, Cheluvamba Hospital, Trauma Care Centre and Super Specialty Hospital on Oct. 26, said he has given suggestions regarding the renovation of Hospitals and MMC&RI building at a cost of Rs.89 crore. He noted that MMC&RI, built by Nalwadi in 1924 will be celebrating its centenary in 2024 and in this backdrop he has asked the authorities to make preparations for the centenary in a purposeful manner.

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Notice is hereby given to the General Public that my clients Sri.Shivashankara, S/o Puttalingegowda, Residing at No.32, 7th Cross, 2nd Stage, Rajeevnagara, Mysuru, Mob: 94484-89974 and Sri. Vasanth S/o Puttalingegowda and Sri. Nagaraj S/o Puttalingegowda are the owners of schedule property i.e Survey No.193, situated at Devanur Village, Kasaba Hobli, Mysuru Taluk from last several years. They inherited the property through their mother Smt. Lingamma it is learnt that one Sri. Mahadeva and his family members, Residing at no.4448, St.Mary's Roads, 5th Cross, N.R.Mohalla. Mysuru are making attempt to sale the property suppressing the real fact as such my clients are intimating to the general public not to purchase or intend to make any agreement with said Sr Mahadeva. In this connection my client already lodge a complaint before Udayagiri Police Station through Reference 1770/2023.

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Maharani's College to be developed at a cost of Rs.167 crore: CM

Mysuru, Oct. 28 (SPN&DM)- Chief Minister Siddharamaiah said that the Maharani's College for Women on JLB Road, one of the oldest institutions of the city, will be developed at a cost of Rs.167 crore.

Speaking to presspersons during his visit to the College on Monday, Siddharamaiah said that 4-storey hostel buildings will be built which can together accommodate 2,000 students of Arts and Science. Pointing out that a section of the Science College has become dilapidated over the years, he said that the building will be repaired and renovated while retaining its heritage characteristics.

Noting that the new buildings will come up at the remaining space behind, the CM said that Rs.51 crore is needed for the construction of a new Science Block and Rs.99 crore for Hostel buildings. The Government will release an additional Rs.17 crore for the construction of new Arts section building, he said adding that Rs.42 crore will be spent for the construction of additional buildings at the Maharani's Commerce and Management College for Women at Paduvarahalli.

Earlier, the CM went around the College and Hostel and inspected the dilapidated buildings. He also interacted with the students and hostel inmates for some time.

District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa, Higher Education Minister Dr. M.C. Sudhakar, Urban Development Minister Byrathi Suresh, MLA K. Harishgowda, MLC Marithibbegowda, DC Dr. K.V. Rajendra, ZP CEO K.M. Gayathri and other officials were present.

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TENDER FOR QUATERLY PROCUREMENT OF CANTEEN PROVISION ITEMS FOR OUR UNIT AT SWF, MYSURU CANTEEN FROM NOV-2023 to JAN-2024

(Through e-Procurement portal only)

Tender is invited through e-procurement from reputed persons / firms for quarterly procurement of **Canteen Provision Items for our unit at SWF, Mysuru Canteen** from November-2023 to January-2024.

Tender Documents, details for the Notification, schedule terms & conditions can be downloaded from **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.** Last date and time for uploading the tender along with the EMD for **Rs. 14,000/-** through e-Procurement is **06.11.2023 upto 3.00 pm.** The Technical bids will be opened on **07.11.10.2023 at 3.30 pm.** Further details can be had from the office of the undersigend during working hours or e-procurement helpdesk - 080-46010000 and 080-68948777.

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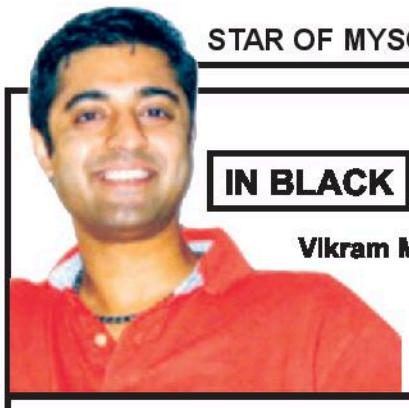

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Vikram Muthanna

Stray Menace in Mysuru

Stray dogs have dominated quite a few living room conversations this week. The death of famous Wagh Bakri Tea brand's Director due to brain haemorrhage which he suffered when he fell down after being chased by stray dogs and Member of Parliament Mahua Moitra's fight with her ex-boyfriend over their pet rottweiler 'Henry' put dogs in the news.

While Mahua Moitra's 'Henry' is just an innocent canine stuck in the middle of a lover's spat, the strays that got Wagh Bakri's Director are not.

Stray dogs in urban India are going feral. They need to be studied and they need to be managed before they turn into apex predators in our Urban Jungles. According to a Lancet study, every year about 59,000 Indians are killed by dog attacks !

India has the highest number of stray dogs in the world. India has the highest number of stray dog attacks in the world. India has the highest cases of rabies death in the world. Shouldn't we then have a world-class stray dog management policy and system in place? We do have policies but poor implementation.

In 2011, according to People For Animals (PFA), there were around 20,000 strays in Mysuru and 13,500 of them had been neutered. But in just a decade, PFA Mysuru says the stray dog population has significantly increased. But why? Because the neutering programmes have not been able to keep up with the stray reproduction rate. This is largely due to lack of personnel and funds.

Strays are on the rise in Mysuru. Not just stray dogs, we have cows, pigs, horses and the occasional leopard too. All these strays are a threat to either life or property and going for a morning walk in certain areas in Mysuru is risky business.

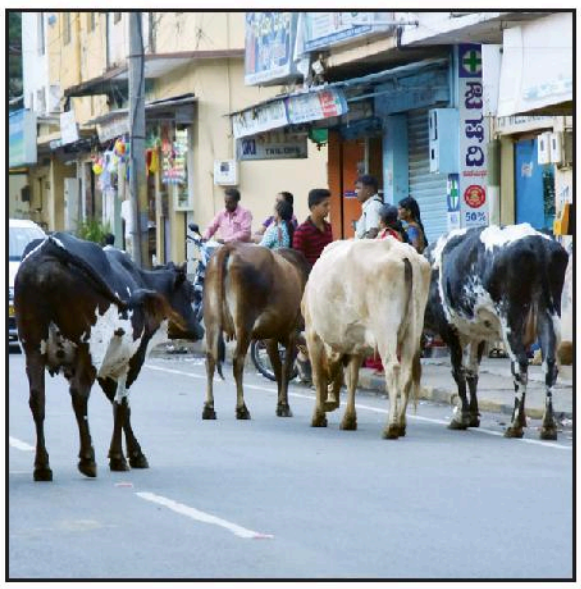
I am reminded of Dec. 18, 2018, when Parvathamma, a vegetable vendor, was attacked and killed by stray horses. In a strange coincidence, the very next day after the attack as I opened my gate to go for a walk, there in front of me stood a team of stray horses.

I was unnerved and confused. Unnerved wondering if these horses were Parvathamma's killers and confused because, if they were the 'accused' killer horses then should I call the Police or MCC? But then I remembered the killer horses were rounded up the previous day. Phew!

Still paranoid with their presence I passed by their side and I nickered. By the way nicker is a low-pitched, guttural sound made by a horse considered a companionable greeting. So, I nickered as not to spook them lest they give me a killer kick.

A few days later my walk was again marred by cat-fear. When I say cat, I mean the roaring kind. In all the time that I have walked up Chamundi Hill I had never seen a leopard, but on this day just as the morning sun was breaking through one crossed my path.

Even though it was much ahead, I got goose-bumps; I was filled with joy and fear...while also experiencing momentary lapse of bowel control. After this I started making noises and clapping as I walked up the Hill so as to warn the shy leopard that a human was approaching.



A few weeks later again my morning walk came to a 'hair-raising' halt. Stray dog menace had begun on Chamundi Hill Road as tourists made it a habit of eating on the road before going up the Hill.

Walking back from Chamundi Hill I noticed a pack of dogs baring their fangs at me with a menacing stare and low growling. The adrenaline rush turned me into an animal, and I started awkwardly roaring at them as if to confuse them into thinking that I was a leopard from the Hill that eats dogs.

Over the years, like most Mysureans I have learnt to moo and shoo cows from the road, neigh and nicker to get around stray horses, roar and carry an umbrella to deal with aggressive stray dogs. Morning walks are no more relaxing as they used to be.

That apart there is also the menace of pigs in certain areas in the city. Bannimantap, Yadavagiri and areas around there have a pig problem. Like 'elephant corridor' in Bandipur these two areas have become 'handi-corridor' as it is infested with pigs.

What is MCC doing about it? Nothing really. For starters, MCC has failed miserably in taking action against the owners of stray cows, dogs, pigs and horses, the four creatures that have turned into a traffic hazard and a health hazard.

The MCC in 2020 created a Special Team to catch stray cows and shift them to the cattle pound near Sewage Farm in Vidyaranyapuram. But alas, it failed. The MCC can book owners of stray animals under the provisions of law but they are unable to.

Adding to the stray dog menace is the bad habit of some Mysureans who feed stray dogs regularly at a set location making them territorial and aggressive.

Some feed strays out of love but many others feed so they can have a "cost-free" guard dog — no registering them, collaring them, vaccinating them or neutering them.

The High Court of Karnataka rightly observed, *"Duty is cast upon such citizens (dog feeders) to ensure that the feeding activity shall not cause hindrance or health hazard to their fellow citizens."*

The Court also made an interesting observation that such stray dog feeders *"are not coming forward to assist public bodies in the exercise of sterilisation or vaccination of stray dogs."*

Mysuru DC Dr. K.V. Rajendra has been proactive in that he recently approved four acres land for PFA to house stray dogs but the land has not yet been identified, let alone allotted.

The only way to manage stray menace is to penalise or prosecute people who let their livestock on the roads and involve more NGOs, pay them on time to neuter dogs... else people will take matters into their own hands. Who wouldn't if their child is mauled and killed by a stray?

For now, since we cannot expect much from our authorities, it's time we learn to adapt to the presence of strays, be it crazy dogs, dirty pigs, lazy cows or angry horses. They are everywhere — on the roads, in front of our homes and even inside our government offices... no pun intended.

PS: If you want to report about stray menace, contact MCC at 94480-34037 or 99863-03236. If you want to rescue injured animals, contact PFA on 98456-54429.

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Draft voter list released for 2024 Lok Sabha polls

Final electoral roll to be published on Jan. 5, 2024; addition, deletion, correction till Dec. 9, 2023

Bengaluru, Oct. 28 (KMS & BCT)- The State Election Commission, responsible for preparations for next year's Lok Sabha election scheduled for April or May 2024, released the draft voter list on its website yesterday. With this release, the Election Commission has initiated the summary revision of electoral rolls in Karnataka.

Chief Electoral Officer Manoj Kumar Meena, speaking in Bengaluru yesterday, announced that objections can be submitted until Dec. 9, and all voters can update their information as needed. If there are any inaccuracies in the provided information, voters can use Form 6 to make corrections.

The CEO also mentioned that a special effort will be made to include the names of voters who may have been omitted. "We urge all voters to review the draft electoral roll and make necessary changes," he emphasised.

This process will continue until Dec. 9, during which applications can be submitted for name and address corrections, a period designated for claims and objections. The final electoral rolls will be published on Jan. 5. According to the Draft Electoral Rolls-2024 shared by the EC, the total number of general voters in Karnataka is 5,33,77,162, including 2,68,02,838 men and 2,65,69,428 women.

Manoj Kumar Meena

The EC revealed that the number of polling stations has increased from 58,282 in the Final Electoral Rolls-2023 to 58,834 in the Draft Electoral Rolls-2024. This includes the addition of 845 polling stations, the merger of 293, resulting in a net increase of 552 polling stations.

Manoj Kumar explained, "We request all citizens to verify their name and all associated details in the electoral roll. If you find any errors, you can rectify them using Form 8." He added, "If your name is not listed, and you have recently turned 18, you can use Form 6 to enrol. You can easily do this via the voter service portal or voter helpline mobile app. The required documents are straightforward."

According to the EC, the draft electoral rolls for all 224 Assembly constituencies were made available in the offices of the Deputy Commissioners, Electoral Registration Officers, Assistant Electoral Roll Registration Officers, and all polling stations in their respective jurisdictions on Oct. 27.

Meena further stated, "If you have any objections to names or entries in the roll, you can file an objection using Form 7, which can also be used for deletions. Between Dec. 9 and Dec. 27, we will address all claims and objections, with the final electoral roll set to be published on Jan. 5."

Eligible voters can download the Voter Helpline App on their mobile phones to submit applications. Alternatively, they can submit applications through the ***https://voterportal.Eci.Gov.In/*** portal. To ensure that no one is left out, a special drive will take place on Nov. 18-19 and Dec. 2-3, with a focus on enrolling underrepresented groups, including women voters, young voters and socially vulnerable classes such as transgender voters, sex workers and nomadic tribes.

The EC noted that out of 224 Assembly constituencies, Bengaluru South boasts the highest number of voters at 7,06,207, while Sringeri in Chikkamagaluru district has the lowest at 1,66,907.

Overall, there were 18,88,243 applications received, of which 16,31,547 were approved and 1,71,964 were rejected, primarily due to inadequate supporting documents, in the transition from the election roll of 2023 to the draft roll of 2024, as per Meena's statement.

Rozgar Mela held Nationwide

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In Mysuru, 185 appointment letters were distributed. Divisional Railway Manager Shilpi Agarwal, AIISH Director Dr. M. Pushpavathi, Senior Divisional Railway Personnel Manager Prashanth and others were present.

These appointment letters were issued to candidates who have successfully navigated the rigorous selection process, becoming part of various Central Government Departments and State Governments and Union Territories (UTs) who support this initiative.

These dedicated recruits, hailing from diverse corners of the country, will soon take their positions in several key Ministries and Departments, including but not limited to the Ministry of Railways, Department of Posts, Ministry of Home Affairs, Department of Revenue, Department of Higher Education, Department of School Education and Literacy, and Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

In his address, Minister Narayanaswamy said that the event is a testament to the Centre's and PM Modi's unwavering commitment to prioritising employment generation and offering meaningful opportunities to India's burgeoning youth who will effectively implement the Central Government's pro-people programmes.

This initiative serves as a catalyst in fostering additional job prospects and fostering the engagement of the youth in the country's holistic development.

What further distinguishes this edition of Rozgar Mela is the integrated Karmayogi Prarambh programme. Newly inducted appointees have the unique opportunity to enhance their skills and knowledge through this platform, which offers a diverse array of e-learning courses.

With over 750 courses available through the iGOT Karmayogi portal, learning becomes easily accessible with 'anywhere, any device' flexibility, adding another dimension to their journey towards empowerment and development.

Valmiki Jayanti celebrated

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The protestors demanded that the statue be brought back to the same spot and unveiled today itself marking Valmiki Jayanti. Raising slogans against the MCC and the District Administration, they claimed that the authorities had insulted Valmiki community. Despite the efforts of Deputy Commissioner (DC) Dr. K.V. Rajendra and Police Commissioner B. Ramesh, the protestors were unwilling to withdraw their stir.

But finally, the DC convinced them by saying that due process and procedures of the MCC are to be followed before installation of any statue in the city and assured that for now a portrait of Valmiki will be allowed at the spot for offering tributes. Following the DC's assurance, the protestors withdrew their stir.

Later MLA G.T. Devegowda launched the procession, which was delayed for about half-an-hour due to the dharna.

MLAs T.S. Srivatsa and K. Harishgowda, MLC Marithibbegowda, Mayor Shivakumar, Deputy Commissioner Dr. K.V. Rajendra, City Police Commissioner B. Ramesh and other officials were present.

BVB felicitates Dr. K.B. Ganapathy on receiving Hon. Doctorate

Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan (BVB), Mysuru Kendra, Management Committee along with BVB school staff felicitated BVB Chairman Dr. K.B. Ganapathy at a function held at BVB premises in Vijayanagar 1st Stage this morning on him (KBG) receiving the Hon. Doctorate from University of Mysore on Oct. 18, 2023. Others seen are *(from left)* ***BVB School Principal S. Lekha Nair; Executive Committee (EC) member Mari Gowda; Administrative Officer S.R. Ravikumar; EC S.A. Thimmiah; Hon. Secretary P.S. Ganapathy; EC T.S. Gangadhar; Vice-Chairman Dr. C. Naganna; Hon. Treasurer Dr. A.T. Bhashyam; EC members Dr. J.V. Gayathri; Dr. Tulasi Ramachandra; K.M. Harish; Wg. Cdr. (Retd.) S.C. Balasubramanyam and B. Yogeesh.***

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Dasara Flower Show - 2023 and Garden Contest

Prize winners of various categories

The staff of University of Mysore, which won first prize in the Ornamental Garden category of Dasara Flower Show contest, seen receiving the trophy from the guests during the prize distribution ceremony.

Picture shows JK Tyre & Industries Ltd. employees receiving the first prize trophy.

Mysuru, Oct. 28 (MK&BS)- **University of Mysore (UoM) and JK Tyre & Industries Ltd.,** have won first prizes in the category of Ornamental Garden Contest organised as part of recent Dasara Flower Show in city.

The prizes were distributed to the winners in various Ornamental Gardens Contest (industries and organisations category-1) during the valedictory of Dasara Flower Show, organised at Kuppanna Park by Department of Horticulture and District Horticulture Society.

JK Tyre won first prize in three categories — Garden Management, Mexican Lawn, Ornamental Pots and Rose Garden, while University of Mysore won first prize in Big Ornamental Garden category.

The other first prize winners are as follows: Bharatiya Reserve Bank Note Mudran Private Ltd., Bank Note Paper Mill India Pvt. Ltd., Infosys Limited, L&T Services Ltd., and Sai Exports Private Ltd.

Following were adjudged for First and Best Prize: Vinyas Innovative Technology Private Limited, Bajaj Autotech Private Limited, Automotive Axles Ltd., Meritor HVS (India) Limited, Wuerth Elektronik India Private Limited, Kluber Lubrication India Private Limited, Kaynes Technology India Limited, Ganesh Consultancy and Analytical Services, Brakes India Private Limited, Hitachi Energy India Limited, H&V Advanced Materials (India) Private Limited, ITC Ltd., Carlsberg India Pvt. Ltd., Skanray Technologies Ltd., Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited.

In the category of administrative offices garden, following secured first prize: Abdul Nazir Sab State Institute of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Institute, State Institute of Urban Development, Administrative Training Institute (ATI), Zilla Panchayat, Mysore Palace Board, Superintendent of Police's (SP) residence, KSRP Commandant and CPWD; Karnataka Gramin Bank (KGB) got second prize.

In the category of educational institutions, following secured First and Best Prize: JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research (JSS-AHER), JSS Ayurveda Medical College, The National Institute of Engineering (NIE), Excel Public School, Sri Jayachamarajendra College of Engineering (SJCE), All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH), Central Institute of Indian Languages (CIIL), Regional Institute of Education (RIE), Vidyavardhaka College of Engineering (VVCE), Police Public School, MMK&SDM Women's College, Heritage City College, SDMIMD and Ramakrishna Vidyakendra.

In the category of Hospital, Apartment, Mall, Hotel and Service Station Gardens, following secured the prize: St. Joseph's Hospital, JSS College of Pharmacy, Sri Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences and Research, Bharat Cancer Hospital, Bantwal Sulochana Madhava Shenoi Trust, Sankalp Central Park apartment, SRS Apartment, Brigade Symphony Owners Association, Pratham Tulip Apartment, Sankalp Temple Trees, Mall of Mysore, Lalith Mahal Palace, Silent Shores Resort & Spa, GRS Fantasy Park, Balaji Service Station, Kodagahalli Service Station and Venkateshwara Service Station.

The prizes were also given in the categories of private home gardens and flower rangoli competitions.

Shri Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara Institute for Management Development (SDM-IMD), Mysuru, has won prize (Outstanding) in Ornamental Plant Category in the recently held Dasara Flower Show Competition organised by Department of Horticulture, Government of Karnataka. SDM-IMD has been winning prizes in Dasara Flower Show since 2004. Picture shows SDM-IMD Garden team along with Dr. (Lt. Col.) S.N. Prasad, Director, Prof. C.V. Sridhar, Manager-Administration and Nanjaiah, Horticulture Officer, SDM-IMD.

Dr. Hemamalini Lakshman, wife of Dr. Lakshman of Kannan Diagnostic Centre, Mysuru, has won first prize for Best Outstanding Garden for both Terrace Garden and Farm Garden categories. This is the 9th consecutive time that the couple has won the first prize.

HL Tranqvilla is a Unique Farm Garden with numerous exotic fruit trees sourced from all over the world.

There is a beautiful Rose Bower with a variety of British and American roses including the famous David Austin roses in full bloom. The roof top Garden boasts of more than 90 Bonsais and variety of flowering plants and Lilly ponds and ornamental plants.

For the 6th consecutive year, Nishhat Afza has won first prize for her Terrace Garden and Waterfalls in the Dasara Home Garden Competition organised by the Mysore Horticultural Society.

Nishhat Afza is the Founder-Director of CURIOCITY - School of Creative Art and Design, N.R. Mohalla, Mysuru, which has been running successfully from past 35 years and has trained thousands of students in various creative arts.

She makes her own organic compost to nourish her plants using her kitchen waste. Her garden is a reflection of diversity in plant world with a good collection of ornamental plants, succulents, fruits, vegetables and Bonsais.

Nishhat Afza

Every year there is a new addition to her garden. The Gazebo now houses a beautiful fairy garden with a variety of succulents arranged artistically using pebbles and figurines. All the walls are covered with beautiful creepers and in the middle of the garden you can find a beautiful lotus pond with Pelicans. There is also a Zen garden which houses a collection of Bonsais.

Mandya MP Sumalatha in Countering Terrorism Inter-Parliamentary Panel

Mandya MP Sumalatha Ambarish attending her first meeting as a member of high-level Advisory Group on Countering Terrorism and Violent Extremism by the Inter-Parliamentary Union at Luanda, Angola recently.

Mysuru, Oct. 28 (BCT)- Mandya MP Sumalatha Ambarish has been appointed as a member of the high-level Advisory Group on Countering Terrorism and Violent Extremism by the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU).

The IPU's high-level Advisory Group on Countering Terrorism and Violent Extremism serves as the global focal point for Parliamentary activities related to counter-terrorism efforts and is composed of members of Parliament from various countries.

This appointment marks a significant milestone as Sumalatha becomes the first Indian MP to be nominated to this prestigious high-level grouping. She will hold this position for a five-year term, said a press release from the MP's Office.

In response to her appointment, Sumalatha expressed her happiness, emphasising that this recognition coincides not only with the 75th year of Indian independence but also with the global resonance of the principle 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam,' which means the world is one family.

Sumalatha is currently part of the delegation accompanying Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla for the Inter-Parliamentary Summit in Luanda, Angola. She expressed her gratitude to Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the Speaker for her nomination, highlighting that this recognition is a testament to the faith and support she has received from the people of Mandya.

As part of the Summit, Sumalatha will engage in a series of bilateral discussions with counterparts from various countries to address a range of global issues. She believes that such interactions among global Parliamentarians will contribute to resolving pressing global challenges and contribute to the vision of 'Viksit Bharat 2047' set forth by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

MYSORE RACES 2023

(By Our Racing Correspondent)

TOUCH OF GREY for 1XBET Mysore Derby

Mysuru, Oct. 28- Following are the selections for the 16th day of Mysore Races to be held here on Sunday — Oct. 29, 2023:

1.	1.30 PM	**THE DELHI RACE CLUB TROPHY - DIV. II** 1200 mts. - rated 00 to 25 (Mysore-based horses) *1. CODE OF HONOUR 2. FIFTY GRAND*
2.	2.00 PM	**THE DELHI RACE CLUB TROPHY - DIV. I** 1200 mts. - rated 00 to 25 (Mysore-based horses) *1. SHOOTING VENUS 2. COUNTRY'S MAJOR*
3.	2.30 PM	**THE ROYAL CALCUTTA TURF CLUB TROPHY** 1100 mts. - rated 20 to 45 *1. STONE HOUSE 2. ULTIMATE STRIKER*
4.	3.00 PM	**THE MADRAS RACE CLUB TROPHY** 1400 mts. - rated 20 to 45 *1. IMMORTAL BEAUTY 2. I CAN*
5.	3.30 PM	**THE BANGALORE TURF CLUB TROPHY** 1200 mts. - rated 80 and above *1. SIEGE COURAGEOUS 2. POLISHED GIRL*
6.	4.00 PM	**THE 1XBET MYSORE DERBY** 2000 mts. - 3 Years (TERMS) *1. TOUCH OF GREY 2. RULING DYNASTY*
7.	4.30 PM	**THE ROYAL WESTERN INDIA TURF CLUB LTD., TROPHY** 1200 mts. - rated 40 to 65 *1. SPIRITUAL FORCE 2. THE KING N I*
8.	5.00 PM	**THE HYDERABAD RACE CLUB TROPHY** 1400 mts. - rated 40 to 65 *1. GILDED BUTTERFLY 2. ARALINA*

DAY'S BEST: *TOUCH OF GREY*

DOUBLE: *1. CODE OF HONOUR 2. SIEGE COURAGEOUS*

JACKPOT: *4, 5, 6, 7, 8* ***MINI JACKPOT:*** *5, 6, 7, 8*

I TREBLE: *1, 2, 3* ***II TREBLE:*** *3, 4, 5* ***III TREBLE:*** *6, 7, 8*

EXACTAS: *1 to 8*

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Maintain authenticity, credibility in news: Dr. Vasudha Gupta

Prasar Bharati Content Synergy Workshop of Akashvani for Capacity Building

Principal Director General of Akashvani Dr. Vasudha Gupta** (second from right) **addressing the participants at one-day Prasar Bharati Content Synergy Workshop, organised in association with Department of Journalism and Mass Communication, University of Mysore, at Vijnana Bhavan in city yesterday. Others seen are** (from left) **Neha Swami, Deputy Director General (Engineering), Akashvani; Anil Kumar Mangalgi, Deputy Director General (Content) and S.G. Raveendra, Additional Director General, Press Information Bureau (PIB), Bengaluru.

Mysuru, Oct. 28 (RK&BS)- Principal Director General of Akashvani Dr. Vasudha Gupta has given a call to part-time correspondents of Akashvani to hone certain skills in this technology driven era to ensure authenticity and credibility while gathering news in the wake of forthcoming elections in the country.

Dr. Gupta addressed the gathering after inaugurating the one-day Prasar Bharati Content Synergy Workshop of Akashvani for Capacity Building, organised in association with the Department of Journalism and Mass Communication, University of Mysore (UoM), at Vijnana Bhavan, Manasagangothri campus here on Friday.

About 50 part-time correspondents of Akashvani from Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Puducherry and Kerala from the South Zone attended the workshop, organised in view of the forthcoming Lok Sabha polls due in April-May 2024.

"Akashvani has maintained authenticity and credibility while producing news for radio. By giving impetus to heritage, culture and literature, we should gather news from the sources, without compromising on authenticity. The nearby Akashvani stations should be made better use of to disseminate the news on website, as all the stations have been equipped with internet facilities," said Dr. Vasudha Gupta.

Amid competition between print and electronic media, the focus should be on being innovative either in approach, generating idea or in the way of giving information. Despite busy schedule, we should plan the assignments and preserve the original content. The missing links should be connected by establishing communication with the sources irrespective of politics and others and work without creating any hurdles for the Government projects.

Chairman of the Department of Journalism and Mass Communication Dr. Sapna Naik said "There has been an intense competition among various wings of media, with the advent of web media, after print and electronic media. The focus should be on planning and selection of news, without ignoring politicians and the people."

Anil Kumar Mangalgi, Deputy Director General (Content) Akashvani, Neha Swami, Deputy Director General (Engineering) and S.G. Raveendra, Additional Director General, Press Information Bureau (PIB), Bengaluru were present.

Tribal killed in elephant attack at Mastigudi

Vasantha

H.D. Kote, Oct. 28 (BS)- A 36-year-old tribal met his tragic end in a wild elephant attack at Mastigudi Rehabilitation Centre near Bheemanahalli in Veeranahosahalli range of Nagarahole forest in the taluk on Thursday (Oct. 26) midnight.

Vasantha, son of Ramu, is the deceased, who was allegedly trampled to death by a wild elephant when he was guarding the maize crop grown at the land allotted to the family as part of a rehabilitation package.

Following the incident, the women of the hamlet and neighbouring villagers staged a flash protest demanding a suitable compensation to the dependents of the deceased.

"We feel insecure as the wild animals are eating away the crops. We were evicted from the hamlets at Kodagu and Balle and shifted to Mastigudi in the name of rehabilitation, with bare minimum facilities, which appears like a jail," the protesters alleged further.

The protesters also urged the authorities to fulfil their demands before conducting autopsy of the body. Tahsildar Sannaramappa and Inspector of H.D. Kote Police Station Shabir Hussain tried to pacify the agitators, but they refused to budge.

Finally, DCF and Director of Nagarahole Tiger Reserve Harshakumar Chikknaragund handed over a cheque for Rs. 15 lakh as compensation to Sowmya, wife of the deceased Vasantha, from the Forest Department, besides promising a pension of Rs. 4,000 per month up to four years and recommending the Forest Department to provide job for a family member of the deceased.

WORD OF THE DAY

Splenetic

Pronunciation: splih-NET-ik.
Meaning: Splenetic is a formal word that typically describes expressions of sharp annoyance and anger.
Origin: To vent one's spleen is to express anger. There are healthy ways of doing this, of course, but vent too much of your spleen, or vent it too often, and you may be accused of being splenetic. Both spleen and splenetic trace back to the Latin word splen, which refers to the bodily organ responsible for storing and filtering blood, among other functions. So why the association with anger? In early Western physiology, a person's physical qualities and mental disposition were believed to be determined by the proportion of four bodily humors: blood, phlegm, yellow bile, and black bile. The last of these was believed to be secreted by the spleen, and to cause feelings and dispositions ranging from intense sadness (melancholia) to anger and violent temper—hence splenetic. In later years, the "melancholy" sense fell out of use (and the theory of the humors was discredited), but the "angry" sense of splenetic remains with us today.
Example: "A strange combination of intricate, almost sci-fi-inflected psychological thriller, splenetic social-breakdown broadside and two-hander (torture) chamber drama, it is an exercise in bravura filmmaking applied to a story so relentlessly grim you might wish it were a little less well-made, giving you an excuse to look away." — Jessica Kiang, Variety, 8 Sept. 2022.

THE ODD WORD

Saltativeness

Ability to jump.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Status Quo

Meaning: The phrase "Status quo" means the 'existing state of affairs'. It is the short form of the Latin phrase "in statu quo."
Origin: Politicians like to mention a status quo. At times they have a vague strategy, referring to the status quo rather than confirming their position on the spoken matter.
Example: "Jenna wanted to proceed with the next step, but then she decided it would be better to keep the status quo."

QUOTE BOX

To be yourself in a world that is constantly trying to make you something else is the greatest accomplishment.—**Ralph Waldo Emerson**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

Answer: Arch-enemy

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Bombay to ___ : Amitabh's comedy?
4 Flight Guidance Sys.
7 Rest and relaxation, abbr. (1,3,1)
9 Tropical resin
12 Awkward and clumsy, not graceful
13 A large convex moulding - "tours" anagram?
14 Not awake; still in bed?
15 Christopher Paolini's famous fantasy novel
17 Bits Per Sec.
18 Shrill tone
20 Army Post Off.
21 Clothes
22 Like a black wood
23 Built or made, fabricated
27 Double digits
28 Responsibility
29 Information, in short?
30 Ankle bones
32 Benedictine monk
35 Makes good
37 They escort you to your seat in a theatre?
39 Wanders
40 Relative girls
41 Day's march
42 Knot in wood
43 Device for fishing
44 Market town of Cambridgeshire

DOWN

1 Frenchmen of yore?
2 All at __ : without warning; not one by one?
3 Sticks fast
4 Regaled or honoured with a feast etc.
5 Honour or distinction
6 Antitoxins
7 Sound grating
8 Say it again
10 Former Zimbabwe President Robert ____
11 Seven-legged crustacean
12 The speaker's gift
16 Prefix for "reverse of" or "absence of"?
19 Mistake
21 Global Navigation Sys.
22 Aliens?
23 Middle
24 Going __ ___ : walking? (2,4)
25 Not famous or acclaimed
26 Style of cooking
27 Aunt in Spanish
30 Valley near Mt Olympus
31 Something of benefit
32 Disparage, belittle or condemn
33 City on the Oka - "lore" anagram?
34 Short for 'manuscripts'
36 Indian leavened bread
38 Cure or remedy?

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

K	E	Y		T	O	L	D			S	R	O
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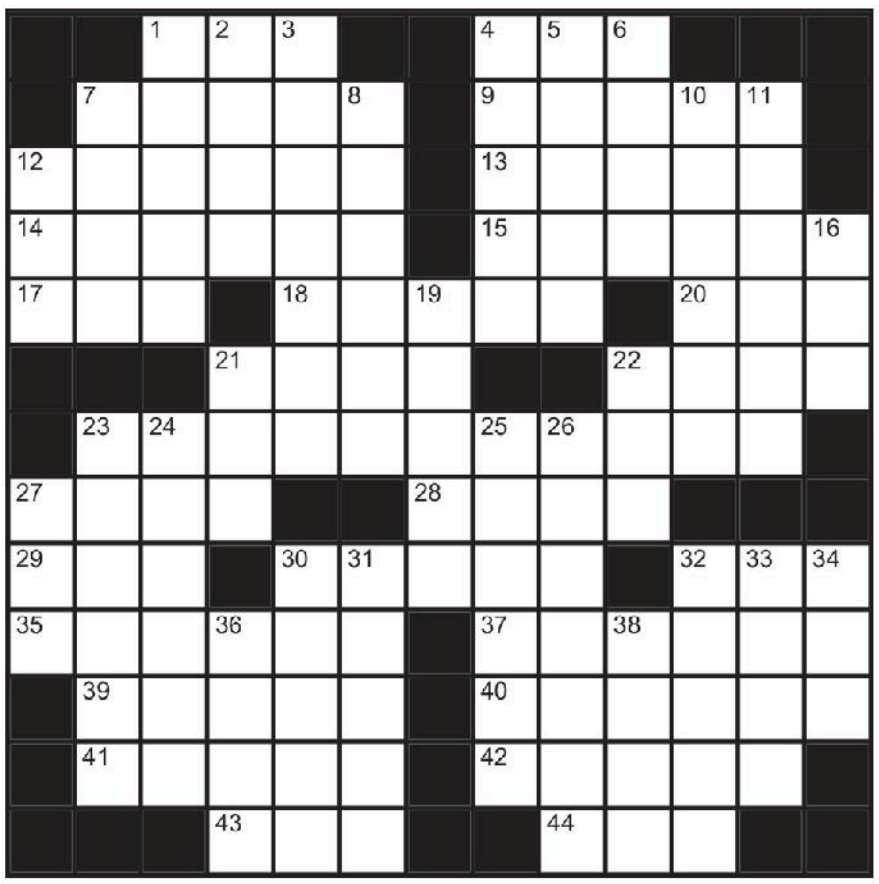

SUDOKU

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	1							7
	8	7	3		1			

Answer to previous puzzle

7	6	4	1	8	9	3	5	2
3	5	9	6	4	2	8	1	7
8	1	2	5	7	3	4	6	9
1	4	6	8	9	7	5	2	3
2	9	7	4	3	5	6	8	1
5	8	3	2	1	6	9	7	4
4	7	1	9	6	8	2	3	5
6	3	5	7	2	4	1	9	8
9	2	8	3	5	1	7	4	6

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

XNYBAKN MDYVDJDYFZQD GFZH MDBMUD OLZ VAQQDVV

BAX BS ONFX VDDGDI IDVXLZDI XB RD QDYXFLZ SFLUAYD.

TODAY'S CLUE: V EQUALS S

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: It is better to create than to learn! Creating is the essence of life.

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	(S-4)	4.10 pm, 10.10 pm
Tagarupalya (K)	(S-1)	1.20 pm
Leo (Ta)	(S-1)	4 pm, 10 pm; (S-2) 10.25 am
	(S-4)	1.00 pm, 6.55 pm
Inamdar (K)	(S-2)	1.35 pm
Tejas (H)	(S-2)	4.30 pm, 7.10 pm
Pulimad (Ma)	(S-2)	9.45 pm
Ronnie (K)	(S-3)	10.45 am
12th Fail (H)	(S-3)	4.05 pm, 7.00 pm
Killers of the Flower Moon (E)	(S-3)	9.50 pm
Tagarupalya (K)	(S-4)	10.20 am

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Leo (Ta)	:	10.30 am, 1 pm, 4.20 pm 7.30 pm, 9.15 pm
Leo (K)	:	3 pm, 6.10 pm
Tagarupalya (K)	:	10.40 am, 1.15 pm
12th Fail (H)	:	9.20 pm

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Killers of the Flower Moon (E)	:	10 am, 2.05 pm, 6.10 pm, 10.15 pm
Tejas (H)	:	11.05 am, 1.45 pm, 4.25, 7.05 pm
Leo (Ta)	:	11.55 am, 4.10 pm, 6.15 pm 9.40 pm, 10.30 pm
Leo (K)	:	12.45 pm
Tagarupalya (K)	:	1.00 pm, 7.00 pm
12th Fail (H)	:	3.50 pm
Ganapath - A Hero is Born (H)	:	4.10 pm
Bhagavanth Kesari (Te)	:	7.05 pm
Mujib: Making of a Nation (H)	:	10 pm

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Leo (Ta)	:	9.35 am, 1 pm, 3.40, 7.05 pm, 9.45 pm
Ghost (K)	:	10.00 am, 12.55 pm, 3.50 pm 6.45 pm, 9.40 pm
Tejas (H)	:	10.20 am, 1.00 pm, 4.25 pm 7.05 pm, 10:30 pm
Mujib: Making of a Nation (H)	:	12.10 pm
Tagarupalya (K)	:	3.50 pm, 9.50 pm
12th Fail (K)	:	6.40 pm

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Ghost (K)	(S-1)	1.45 pm, 4.40 pm 7.35 pm, 10.30 pm
	(S-4)	9.50 am
Leo (Ta)	(S-1)	10.20 am
	(S-2)	3.10 pm, 6.35 pm, 10 pm
Tejas (H)	(S-3)	10 am, 12.45 pm, 3.30 pm 6.15 pm, 9.00 pm
Mujib- Making of a Nation (H)	(S-4)	6.40 pm
Tagarupalya (K)	(S-4)	12.45 pm, 10.20 pm
Leo (K)	(S-2)	11.45 am
12th Fail (K)	(S-4)	3.35 pm

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Tagarupalya (K)	:	10.05 am, 6.30 pm
Tejas (H)	:	10.10 am, 12.55 pm 7.05 pm, 9.50 pm
Leo (Ta)	:	10.45 am, 2.10 pm, 5.35 pm, 9 pm
Leo (K)	:	3.40 pm
12th Fail (K)	:	12.55 pm
12th Fail (H)	:	3.55 pm
Ronnie (K)	:	4 pm
Inamdar (K)	:	9.20 pm
Ganapath - A Hero is Born (H)	:	10 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15.

EVENTS TODAY (OCT. 28)

- **Panache:** Designers Expo, Hotel Southern Star, Vinoba Road, **up to 8.30 pm.**
- **Vishwapatha Kala Sangama, Bengaluru:** Staging of writer H. Dundiraj's humour play 'Pukkate Salahe', Kalamandira, **5 pm and 7 pm.** [Entry fee Rs. 100; Mob: 99168-63637]
- **KMPK Charitable Trust:** Prize distribution to winners of 'Mane Mane Gombe' Competition, MLA T.S. Srivatsa, Mayor Shivakumar, Mysuru City and District Brahmins Association President D.T. Prakash, senior social worker K. Raghuram Vajpayee, BJP Mahila Morcha President Hema Nandish, Jeevadhara Blood Bank Director Girish and others chief guests, Apoorva Hotel, Chamundipuram, **5.30 pm.**
- **Suttur Mutt, Mysuru:** Monthly Moonlight Music Programme, Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji graces the occasion, flute recital by Vid. C.S. Keshava Chandra accompanied by Vidu. C.V. Shruthi on violin, Vid. Narendra Sharma on mridanga and Vid. M.R. Manjunath on ghata, Mutt premises, foot of Chamundi Hill, **6 pm.**
- **Nataraj Music and Dance Academy (NMDA), Visakhapatnam:** 9th edition of the All India Classical Dance Festival series, Mysore Dasara Nrithyotsav, RamaGovinda Rangamandira, Ramakrishnanagar, **6 pm.**
- **Abhivyakthi Centre for Art and Culture, Mysuru:** Bharatanatyam Rangapravesha of Prakruthi Bharadwaj, disciple of Vidu. Suhasini Koulagi of Abhivyakthi Centre for Art and Culture, accompanied by Vidu. Suhasini Koulagi on natuvanga, Vidu. Bhoomika Koundinya on vocal, Vid. Venkat Subramanyan on mridanga, Vid. H.S. Thandavamurty on violin and Vid. Abhishek on flute, Noopura Kalavidaru Samskrutika Trust Director 'Natyacharya' Prof. K. Ramamurthy Rao and Sadvidya Educational Institutions Hon. Secretary Prof. M.S.K. Narahari Babu chief guests, Builders Association of India (BAI) auditorium, Vishweswaranagar, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha:** Bhagirathi and Kuskoor Krishnamuthy Memorial Concert, Hindustani Vocal Duet Concert by Khan Brothers — Pandit Sarfaraz Khan and Pandit Faraz Khan — accompanied by Vid. Sumith Nayak on tabla and Vid. Veerabhadraiah Hiremath on harmonium, Sabha premises, JLB Road, **6 pm.**
- **J.P. Nagar Sharana Vedike, Mysuru:** Lecture, felicitation, presentation of Pratibha Puraskar and releasing of Sri Nagarle Shivakumar's book 'Nudideepti', former MLC Prof. K.R. Mallikarjunappa presides, ACP S.E. Gangadharswamy releases book, retd. Professor S.S. Ramesh delivers lecture on 'Jaganmate Akkamahadevi', Akkamahadevi Statue premises, Akkamahadevi Road, J.P. Nagar, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram:** Swami Ishtanathanandaji speaks on 'Atmabodha,' Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**
- **Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), Mysuru Local Centre:** Technical Lecture on 'Cloud Computing,' Zeebra Technologies Senior Engineers N. Vinay Kumar guest speaker, IEI Mysuru Chairman B.S. Prabhakara presides, S.P. Bhat Hall, IEI premises, JLB Road **6 pm.**
- **Kalasuruchi -A Samyukth Collective:** Thoughts, an Experimental Karnatak Instrumental Ensemble by Sai Shivu (mridanga), Keshav Mohan Kumar (violin) and Shamith S. Gowda (ghata), Suruchi Rangamane, Kuvempunagar, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (OCT. 29)

- **Scope Foundation and Monument of Mother Earth (India/ USA):** Tribute to Mother Earth through Walkathon, Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji graces the occasion, Trishikha Kumari Wadiyar of Mysore Royal Family inaugurates, MP Pratap Simha chief guest, Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple, Palace North Gate, **7.30 am.**
- **Mysore Medical College and Research Institute (MMC&RI):** Centenary year celebrations, Medical Exhibition, Library Hall building, ground floor of MMC&RI, Irwin Road, **10 am to 5 pm.** [Entry is free]
- **Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha:** 'Vainika Vaibhava' to mark Dr. Mysore V. Doreswamy Iyengar's birth anniversary, inauguration of the event followed by Veena Concert by Chitradurga Dwarakish with Vid. A. Radhesh on mridanga and Vid. C.A. Raghunandan Rao on ghata, **10 am;** Veena Concert by Vid. Prashanth Iyengar with Vid. A. Radhesh on mridanga and Vid. C.A. Raghunandan Rao on ghata, **11.30 am;** Conferring of 'Vainika Brahma' title on Vidu. Revathi Murthy by MLA T.S. Srivatsa, followed by Veena Concert by Vidu. Revathi Murthy accompanied by Vid. H.L. Shivashankaraswamy on mridanga and Vid. M.R. Manjunath on ghata, Sabha premises, JLB Road, **6 pm.**
- **Bharathi Yogadhama:** Ardhamandalotsava, Ashtanga Yoga Vijnana Mandiram President Dr. T. Srinivas inaugurates, Various events, Yogadhama premises, Vijayagiri, Uttanahalli, **10 am to 7 pm.**
- **Janapada Seva Trust, Melukote and Janapada Prakashana:** Book release — J.C. Kumarappa's 'Shashwata Arthikate' — columnist and Professor A. Narayana and columnist T.S. Venugopal will be present, Rotary School auditorium, JLB Road, **10 am.**
- **Swajanya Kala Vedike:** Book release — Girija Shastry's 'Siddhamadarigalaachege' — by retd. Kannada Professor A.V. Suryanarayanaswamy, writer Dr. Kalegowda Nagawara presides, Publisher U.S. Mahesh of Roopa Prakashana will be present, Dvanyaloka, Bogadi Main Road, **10.30 am.**
- **Kalpa Kshetra:** Nadageethotsava in celebration of Kannada Rajyotsava, well-known songs about Kannada and Karnataka will be rendered by singers Dr. Somanath Vasudeva, Founder and Head of The Institute of Neurosciences at Apollo BGS Hospitals, Mysuru; Dr. Seethalakshmy, Anaesthesiologist at Apollo BGS Hospitals, Mysuru; Dr. Sushma Krishnamurthy, one of the few female General Surgeons practicing in Mysuru; Dr. Shyam Prasad, Assistant Professor, Department of Anaesthesiology, JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research, Mysuru and expert Musical Whistler Nikhil Prabhu, DGM-Finance, Automotive Axle Limited, Mysuru, Kalpa Kshetra Auditorium, 581/1, Vijayanagar 4th Stage, 1st Phase, **10.30 am.** [Mob: 94498-19536]
- **Nataraj Music and Dance Academy (NMDA), Visakhapatnam:** 9th edition of the All India Classical Dance Festival series, Mysore Dasara Nrithyotsav, RamaGovinda Rangamandira, Ramakrishnanagar, **2 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Mysuru:** Swami Sarvajayanandaji speaks on 'Sri Sri Rama Krishna Charite,' Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

Staging of play

Mysuru, Oct. 28- Natana School of Theatre Arts has organised staging of play 'Andha Yuga,' written by Dharmaveera Bharati and directed by Mandya Ramesh, at its premises in Ramakrishnanagar tomorrow (Oct. 29) at 6.30 pm.

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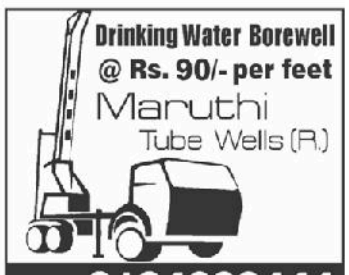

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